

**KINGSBURG CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
OCTOBER 18, 2006**

**4:00 – 5:30 P.M. - KINGSBURG CITY COUNCIL/PLANNING COMMISSION
JOINT MEETING.**

6:15 P.M. - Closed Session to discuss the following item:

a. Conference with Legal Counsel – Anticipated Litigation

Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to subdivision (b) of Section 54956.9

7:00 P.M. REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Invocation was given Pastor Jim Collins of the Kingsburg Baptist Church followed by the Pledge of Allegiance led by Mayor Bergstrom.

Call to order and roll call – City Council

At 7: 07 P.M. Mayor Bergstrom called the regular meeting of the Kingsburg City Council to order.

Councilmembers present: Bruce Blayney, Paul Kruper, David Karstetter, Milo Smith, and Mayor Leland Bergstrom. Chief Dunn

Councilmembers absent: None

Staff present: City Manager Don Pauley, City Attorney Michael Noland, Planning and Development Director Terry Schmal, City Engineer Dave Peters, and City Clerk Sue Bauch.

Others present: David Orth, Erin Avila, Melissa Silva, Jim Taylor, Barbara Taylor, Rico Aguayo, and Reporter Amy Fienen.

Public Comments – Mr. Duanye Quait, residing at 2321 19th Avenue, stated that he has three concerns to express to the City Council. 1) He asked about the completion date for the Draper/Sierra intersection and the Sierra/18th Avenue intersection. City Engineer Dave Peters stated that there have been some delays that put the project behind three to four weeks, but he expects this project to wrap up in the next two to three weeks; 2) Mr. Quait asked about placement of a temporary 4 way stop at Tulare & 16th while the project is in process. City Engineer Dave Peters stated that this project is close to being finished and then the traffic flow should be reduced to normal flow; 3) Mr. Quait's last issue was that due to alley construction between 18th and 19th Avenues, north of Winter Street and south of Stroud Avenue, garbage collection was not done. City Engineer Dave Peters stated that he is not aware of any construction in this area. City Manager Don Pauley stated that he will check with Public Works tomorrow to see if this could be their project. Councilmember Blayney asked if staff could arrange to have a special pickup. City Manager Don Pauley stated that he will make a request of Waste Management in the morning.

Approve Agenda – Councilmember Blayney made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Smith, to approve agenda as published. The motion carried by unanimous aye voice vote.

Consent Calendar – Councilmember Blayney stated that he would like to comment on Item No. 5, Planning Commission Appointments, and asked that this item be pulled from the Consent Calendar and placed on Pulled Consent Calendar Items. Councilmember Blayney then made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Karstetter, to approve the remaining Consent Calendar as presented. The motion carried by unanimous aye voice vote.

Approval of City Council Minutes – Approve minutes from the Regular City Council meeting held on October 4, 2006 as prepared by Clerk Sue Bauch.

Financial Summary – Accept the Financial Summary for the month of September as prepared by Assistant City Manager/Finance Director Don Jensen.

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Annual Report on Development Impact Fees 2005-2006 Fiscal Year – Accept the report describing the status of development impact fee fund balances. Report prepared by Assistant City Manager/Finance Director Don Jensen.

Renewal of Medical Insurance Contract – Approve contract with Blue Shield of California for the July 1, 2006 through July 1, 2007. Contract prepared by Blue Shield.

Renewal of Postage Meter Contract – Approve rental agreement for 60 months in the amount of \$85.00 per month for a new Postal Meter in City Hall. Agreement prepared by Pitney Bowes.

CDBG (Community Development Block Grant) Program – Adopt Resolution No. 2006-62 revising previously adopted Resolution No. 2006-50. Resolution prepared by City Clerk Sue Bauch.

Re-approval of Investment Policy – Re-approve the Investment Policy of the City of Kingsburg consisting of regular savings account and deposits at the Local Agency Investment Fund. Report prepared by Assistant City Manager/Finance Director Don Jensen.

Pulled Consent Calendar Items:

Planning Commission Appointments – Mayor Bergstrom stated that he and Planning and Development Director Terry Schmal interviewed six citizens that were interested in serving on the Planning Commission. He stated that Barbara Taylor and Jerry James were chosen to serve the unexpired terms of Erwin Ohannesian and Bud Peelgren. Mayor Bergstrom then introduced Barbara Taylor and welcomed her to the Planning Commission.

Councilmember Blayney made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Kruper, to ratify new appointees to the Planning Commission of Barbara Taylor for a term to expire in 2007 and Jerry James for a term to expire in 2008. Reappoint existing Commissioners Tom Henslee and Donald Woollard to four year terms expiring in November of 2010. The motion carried by unanimous aye voice vote.

REGULAR CALENDAR

Community Services Commission – Presentation of 2006-2008 Mission and Goals by Community Services Commission.

Community Services Commission Chairperson Erin Avila gave a presentation to the City Council regarding the Mission Statement and the Goals of the Community Services Commission. She stated that the Mission Statement of the Commission is “To provide recreational opportunities and facilities for all ages and income levels.”

Mrs. Avila identified the 2006-2008 goals in priority order as follows:

- Complete undeveloped parks and update existing parks.
- Expand recreational program offerings.
- Locate/acquire and develop additional areas for baseball, softball and soccer.
- Increase community awareness of parks and recreation facilities and programs through regular community outreach (meetings, mailers, and advertising).
- Acquire land and build a skate park.

She thanked Councilmember Kruper for attending the monthly Community Service meetings. She stated that the Commission is having a forum regarding the Parks Master Plan next Monday evening, October 23, 2006 and invited the City Council members to attend.

Mayor Bergstrom stated that the Commission needs to identify a revenue source for a skate park. Mrs. Avila stated that it will be difficult but we believe that the kids need a skate park. Councilmember Karstetter stated that when the community needed a pool the citizens of

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Kingsburg were there to lend their financial support and encouraged the Commission to look to the community for support again.

Councilmember Blayney expressed his gratitude to Mrs. Avila for serving on the Commission. Mayor Bergstrom added that Mrs Avila's also volunteers her time on the Transportation Committee.

Community Choice Aggregation Program – Consideration of the City of Kingsburg's continuing participation in the Community Choice Aggregation Program through the establishment of the San Joaquin Valley Power Authority.

City Manager Don Pauley introduced General Manager of Kings River Conservation District (KRCD) David Orth. Mr. Orth stated that in the spring of 2005 the City of Kingsburg joined 12 other cities in a Joint Powers Agreement (JPA) to implement a Community Choice Aggregation Program that would provide electricity at a lower cost than that charge by PG&E. He stated that the JPA board consists of one person from each entity. They hope to have first JPA meeting in December or January. He stated that at this point the residential group should go on line in October of 2008.

Councilmember Kruper made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Karstetter, to waive the first reading introducing Ordinance No. 2006-10 and pass on to the second reading with the following recital constituting reading of the title of said ordinance:

“ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF KINGSBURG
APPROVING THE SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY POWER AUTHORITY JOINT
POWERS AGREEMENT AND AUTHORIZING THE SUBMITTAL OF AN
IMPLEMENTATION PLAN FOR A COMMUNITY CHOICE
AGGREGATION PROGRAM BY THE SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY POWER
AUTHORITY”

The motion carried by unanimous aye voice vote.

Blueprint Presentation – Senior Transportation Planner for the Council of Fresno County Governments Barbara Steck gave a brief presentation. She encouraged the Council to go to their web site for more information. Rico Aguayo, Fowler City Councilmember, and also a member of the Blueprint Roundtable Advisory Committee, gave a brief summary of his participation in the process. Barbara Steck stated that the purpose of presenting this item tonight is to bring everyone up to date on the process and then reviewed the Blueprint Schedule for the next year. Mr. Aguayo stated that this committee will provide recommendations that will represent the entire valley, but will not change what each city does via their individual planning processes. This process will take a look at how the county is developing now and how we would like to see it developed by 2050.

Councilmember Karstetter asked if the Fresno County Board of Supervisors is on board with this process. Ms. Steck stated that there is a Board of Supervisors Board Member on the Blueprint Roundtable Advisory Committee.

GREAT (Gang Resistance Education and Training) – Consider presentation by Kingsburg Police Chief Jeff Dunn and Officer Reggie Gierke.

Chief Dunn stated that in the first part of September he gave the City Council information regarding the GREAT Program. He stated that for several years the Police Department was involved with the DARE Program for the 5th and 6th graders. Officer Kevin Pendley was the instructor. Since Kevin Pendley was promoted to Sgt. we're no longer involved in the program. Chief Dunn stated that the department received information about the GREAT program and felt that it would be a valuable program for our 5th and 6th graders. He stated that the GREAT Program has many of the same components as the DARE Program. However, the main focus is on staying away from gang involvements and avoiding the gang mentality. He stated that once the program is up and running we will receive funding from the Federal Government to cover the costs associated with the program, including the salary for the instructor, and overtime when needed.

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Officer Gierke stated that the program is designed to help the kids to set achievable goals, make good decisions, and analysis the different options that they have in any given situation. He stated that they also work on the listening process, verbal skills, body language, peer pressure, anger management, and how to avoid problems and how to deal with them. Towards the end of the program the different facets of the program are all tied together. He explained that there are other components to the program that will possibly be started after the program has been tried for a while and the funding is available. Councilmember Karstetter stated that in the classroom situation you have more of an understanding of where the kids are in their lives. Officer Gierke stated that the vast majority of the class time is the kids interacting. He stated that he is there to help the kids follow the program and hopefully direct them down the right path.

Chief Dunn stated that they are asking the City Council for verbal support. Councilmember Blayney stated that this program is a long term investment in our youth and will affect their future decisions. It was the consensus of the City Council that this is a valuable program.

Sierra and Marion Street Closures – Consider closures of Sierra and Marion Streets for construction relating to Walgreen's. City Engineer Dave Peters stated that this item has been settled at this point. He said that last week the talks were at a critical point and we thought Council discussion would be necessary, but thanks to the City Manager and Caltrans we have reached a compromise. There will be night construction west bound only along Sierra Street in order to complete the off-site improvements for the Walgreen project.

Council Reports and Staff Communications:

- a. **November 1, 2006 City Council Meeting** - Councilmember Smith stated that he would be on a Senior Citizens bus trip and will not be attending the November 1, 2006 City Council meeting.
- b. **Selma-Kingsburg-Fowler Sanitation District (SKF)** – Mayor Bergstrom noted that SKF will have to increase their rates to cover costs associated with increased development.
- c. **Chamber of Commerce** – City Manager Don Pauley stated that the weekly Farmers Market will continue to November 30th.
- d. **Ground Breaking Ceremony** - City Manager Don Pauley reminded the City Council of the ground breaking ceremony, to be held tomorrow night, for the new Regan Elementary School located on Kern Street.
- e. **Joint Council Meeting** - City Manager Don Pauley stated that the joint City Council meeting with the Fowler and Parlier City Councils has been rescheduled for late November, possibly November 29th.

Adjournment – At 8:14 P.M. Councilmember Blayney made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Kruper, to adjourn the Kingsburg City Council. The motion carried by unanimous aye voice vote.

Submitted by:

Sue Bauch, City Clerk CMC